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## Publisher's Note

Verily! All praises and thanks is due to Allâh we praise Him we seek His aid and we seek His forgiveness and we seek refuge in Allâh from the evil of ourselves and the evil of our actions whomsoever Allâh guides none can misguide and whomsoever Allâh misguides none can guide. I bear witness that there is no deity worthy of worship except Allâh Alone, and I bear witness that Muhammad is His slave and final Messenger and may the peace of Allâh be upon him, his family and his companions and whoever follows them to the day of reckoning and may there be an abundance of salutations upon them.

# To proceed:

O noble reader! This book before you is a treaty of Hâfidz Ibn Ahmed Ibn Ali Ibn Al-Hâkami, May Allâh have mercy on him, which we translated for the English reader entitled "The Key to the Abode of Peace with the Actualization of the Two Testimonies of Islâm".

This focuses on the two testimonies of Islâm and the conditions that must be fulfilled regarding them.

The first of them being the statement "Lâ Ilâha Illa Allâh" which means "There is no deity worthy of worship, except Allâh" and the second of the two which is "Muhammad Rasoolu Allâh" which means "Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah"

Note! O noble reader there is no Islâm without these two testimonies and one should take deep consideration regarding them and their conditions. Many Muslims who have entered the fold of Islâm have limited or no knowledge of these conditions, which are the basics of the Religion of Islâm. Knowing the conditions of the two testimonies of faith, is like having a key that unlocks the abode of peace if it is utilize off the tongue, as well as being firm and fixed in the heart as well as off the limbs; then such an individual has grasp the trustworthy hand hold which will never break by Allâh's leave.

We hope that this small work will assist the Muslims, as well as those who are interested in the Religion of Islâm with insight on the conditions that must be fulfilled for one who wants to enter into the fold of Islâm; without any ambiguity about the meanings of the two testimonies and the success is with Allâh, the Generous the Bestower of Mercy.

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# **Biography**

## Hâfidz Ibn Ahmed Ibn Ali Al-Hâkami

He is Sheikh, Allaamah, Hâfidz Ibn Ahmed Ibn Ali Al-Hâkami, Al Faqihi i.e., the jurist, Al-Adeeb i.e., the educated, from the scholars of Jizân between Al-Hijaaz and Yemen.

He was born I342A.H. In a village called "As-Salaam" subsequent to the City of "Al-Mudaaryâ" south of Jizân. He grew up a Bedouin i.e., a Desert dweller, a shepherd who would protect the flock then he would recite the Qur'ân. He was at the utmost of intelligence and quickness of memorization and understanding, and as for him reaching the mature age of sixteen, he began in the seeking of knowledge and he continue to protect his flock, and he then began devoting himself to the Islâmic studies fulltime; so he developed himself at his very best and a thousand books were imprinted, many of them at the expense of the late, the exalted, king, Mahmud Ibn Abdul Aziz.

And he undertook the agency on the administration of the Islâmic schools education with preparation. Then he designated a Director for the Islâmic Academic Institute in the year 1374 A.H. and he went on to pass away in the City of Mekkah.

# From his books published, and all of them are treatise:

- Al-Jurhirah tul Fareedah Fil Aqeedah i.e., "The Precious Gem Regarding Aqeedah"
- Al-Lulu Al-Maknun Fi Akwaali As-Sindi wal Mutoon i.e., "The Hidden Pearls Regarding the Conditions of the Manuscripts and the Texts"
- An-Noor Al- Faaidu Fi Ilmi Al- Faaidi i.e., "
  The Exuberant Light Regarding Knowledge of
  the Abundant"
- Salaamu Al-Wusooli Ila Ilmi Al-Usooli i.e. "Peace of the Attainment to the Knowledge of the Fundamentals"
- Alaamu As-Sunnah Al-Manshoorati wa Huwa Kitaabu Haadh- i.e., "The Advice of The Prophetic Sunnah Dispersed and this is our Book...
- Al-Usoolu Fi Manhajil Usooli i.e., "The Fundamentals Regarding the Mythology of the Fundamentals"

He passed away May Allâh have mercy on him on the I8<sup>th</sup> of the Month of Dhul-Hijjah in the year I377 A.H. In the Noble City of Mecca, in his prime of his youth and the news of his death upon his family, his friends, and his colleagues was server. The misfortune in it was a disaster May Allâh's extensive mercy be upon him Ameen.

## Introduction

Praise be to Allâh Who spread the signs of Tawheed on the pulpits of the creatures, and deteriorated the banners of Shirk and polytheism, and exterminated with His severe seizure every obstinate arrogant, and fortified the monotheist who singles Him out with worship with His help and support and watered their hearts with heavy rain of the Book and drizzles of the Sunnah; so as a result, it generates the pure creed and the upright statement in them. He, [Allâh] gives and withholds, He elevates and humiliates He keeps whom He wills and cuts whom He wills, His is the infinite wisdom and unequivocal evidence.

"Whosoever does righteous good deed, it is for [the benefit of] his own self; and whosoever does evil, it is against his own self. And your Lord is not at all unjust to [His] slaves".

I praise Him, His is the glory, I thank Him, I turn to Him in repentance, and I ask His forgiveness and ask Him to grant me the sweetness of looking at His face on the Day of Superfluity. And I further bear witness that there is no deity that has the right to be worshiped, but Allâh Alone without a partner, the Enumerator of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fussilat: 46

everything, the Originator of everything, the Doer of what He wills, High above is He to have a partner in His dominion or to need a helper due to lowliness, or to have a wife or beget a child or have a father or a counterpart or a coequal.

And I bear witness that our leader, our Prophet Muhammad is His Slave and His Messenger. The leader of all the creatures, the seal of the Messengers, the most honorable of all the slaves may Allâh the Almighty shower His prayers and salutations on him, his family members and his brave companions who unsheathed their swords to exterminate all falsehoods and suppress every pigheaded arrogant disbeliever.

# Why Allâh Created the Creation?

As for which follows:

I advice you! O slaves of Allâh and myself with the Fear of Allâh. Therefore, Fear Allâh! O slaves of Allâh! May Allâh have mercy on you and know that you are not created in vain and that you would not be left aimlessly; rather you are created for a tremendous matter and a great issue. Allâh has clarified this great matter in His wise revelation, and He the Almighty is Wise in His creation and His legislation, He is Truthful in His statement and who is more truthful in His statement than Allâh and who is clearer in His evidences than Allâh:

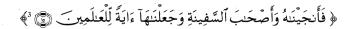
"And I [Allâh] created not the jinn and mankind except that they should worship Me [Alone].I seek not any provision from them [i.e. provision for themselves or for My creatures] nor do I ask that they should feed Me [i.e. feed themselves or My creatures].Verily, Allâh is the All Provider, Owner of Power, the Most Strong".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Az-Zariyat: 56-58

The Definition of Worship: So He the Almighty informed us that; He only created us for His worship<sup>3</sup>.

3 Sheikh Bin Baaz may Allâh have mercy on him said regarding worshiping others besides Allâh in his book "Clarifying The Meaning of Lâ Ilâha Illa Allâh" The nation during the period of Aadam and after him up until ten generations later were all upon the Tawheed of Allâh just as Ibn Abbaas , mentioned, "Then Shirk befell upon the Nation of Nûh , and as a consequence they worshipped Wadd, Suwaa, Yaghooth, Yaooq, and Nasr along with Allâh. Just as Allâh mentioned in Surah An-Nûh. For that reason, Allâh sent Nûh , to them calling them to the Oneness of Allâh and warning them against the Anger and Punishment of Allâh. They remained in their stubbornness, their disbelief, their misguidance and none except for a few from amongst them believed in Nûh . The majority of them arrogantly turned away from that Tawheed just as Allâh has made clear in His Great Book [The Glorious Qur'ân].

So what did Allâh do with them? He rendered to them what He has clarified to us in His Great Book and that being their destruction with the massive waves, the sweeping water which filled the earth and was high over the mountains. Allâh drowned whoever disbelieved in Him and disobeyed His Prophet Nûh , with the water. None were saved except, but a few who were with Nûh , on the Ark just as Allâh se mentioned,



"Then We saved him and those with him in the ship, and made it [the ship] as an Ayah [a lesson, a warning, etc.] for the 'Alamin [mankind, jinn and all that exists]."

This was their punishment in the Dunya [life of this world] and for them is another penalty in the Hereafter and it is the severe sentence in the Fire on the Day of Judgment, we ask Allâh for the security from that. Then after that came the Nation of Aâd and Allâh had sent Hud to them after Nûh . They traverse upon the path of those who were before them from the Nation of Nûh . In the area of resistance, disbelief in Allâh and being upon misguidance. As a result, Allâh sent upon them a powerful wind and they were destroyed and none were saved except for a few of them who believed in Hud .

And worship is a term that is given to anything that Allâh the Most High loves and is pleased with, from actions and statements outwardly and inwardly. The origin of worship and its only foundation is Tawheed which the Messengers were sent with, and the books were revealed for its sake. It is for its sake that jihad is legislated and is made obligatory upon every Muslim individual. It is for its sake that this world and the Hereafter and Hellfire and Paradise were created.

Then after them were the Nation of Saalih and they are the Thamood. They traversed upon the path of the two nations that were before them, which were the Nation of Nûh and the Nation of Hud I. They disobeyed the Messenger and arrogantly turned away from the truth so as a result, Allâh seized them with the punishment of the awful cry, until the last of them were destroyed. None was saved except for the ones who believed in His Prophet Saalih. Then after them came other nations, the Nation of Ibrâhîm and Loot and Shu'ayb and, the Nation of Ya'qûb and Yusuf and Yusuf and Shu'ayb and them came Mûsâ and, Hârûn and, Dâwûd and Yusuf and other than them from the prophets. All of them called the nation to the Oneness of Allâh as they were ordered to do.

# The Origin of the Religion and its Principles and the Head of its Affairs and the Trunk of its Tree is Lâ Ilâha Illa Allâh

And what compiles this Tawheed is a simple word that is easy to pronounce, but vast in its meaning and tremendous in its extent. It is the phrase "Lâ Ilâha Illa Allâh" which means: "There is no deity that has the right to be worshiped, but Allâh". It is the phrase of testimony and the key to the home of happiness. It is the foundation of this religion and its basis. It is the most important factor of this religion, the trunk of its tree and the pillar of its canopy, the rest of the pillars and obligations that erupt from it are its branches and its complements that are confined with adhering to its meaning [the testimony] and applying its prerequisites<sup>4</sup>.

"Verily, the hypocrites will be in the lowest depths [grade] of the Fire; no helper will you find for them"

Why is that? It is because they said it i.e., "Lâ Ilâha Illa Allâh" with their [tongues] and they disbelieved in it with their [hearts] and they did not believe in it, nor did they act by its requirements. Therefore, saying it merely with the [tongue] does not benefit them. Likewise, whoever

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Shaikh Bin Baaz, may Allâh have mercy on him said in his book "Clarifying the meaning of "Lâ Ilâha Illa Allâh" Chapter Three. "When a responsible person has firmly expressed "Lâ Ilâha Illa Allâh" and at the same time he is waging war against Allâh with Shirk [polytheism], which is the worship of other than Him, then surely this person has not actualized this statement. For sure, the hypocrite has made this statement and at the crown of them is Abdullah Ibn Ubayy ibn Salool, but they still will be in the lowest depths of the Hellfire just as Allâh the Most High says:

It [Lâ Ilâha Illa Allâh] is the most trustworthy handhold which Allâh the Almighty mentioned in His statement:

"Whoever disbelieves in Tâghût and believes in Allâh, then he has grasped the most trustworthy handhold that will never break."

It is the promise which Allâh the Most High mentioned in His statement:

"None shall have the power of intercession, but such a one as has received permission [or promise] from the Most Gracious [Allâh]."

It is the Hasana "Good Deed" which Allâh the Most High mentioned in His statement:

says it from the Jews, the Christians and the idol worshippers all of them being upon this path [of disbelief], this statement does not benefit them, until they believe in its meaning, Singling out Allâh for all worship and [willingly] submit to His legislation".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Al-Baqarah: 256 <sup>6</sup> Maryam: 87

"Whoever brings a good deed [i.e. Belief in the Oneness of Allâh along with every deed of righteousness], will have better than its worth; and they will be safe from the terror on that Day."

It is the "True Word" which Allâh the Almighty mentioned in His statement:

"Except those who bear witness to the truth knowingly [i.e. believed in the Oneness of Allâh, and obeyed His Orders], and they know [the facts about the Oneness of Allâh]."

It is "The word of Piety" mentioned by Allâh the Most High in His statement:

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9 Al-Fat-h: 26

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> An-Naml: 89

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Az-Zukhruf: 86

"And made them stick to the word of piety [i.e. none has the right to be worshipped but Allah]; and they were well entitled to it and worthy of it"...

It is "The highest description" mentioned by Allâh the Most High in His statement:

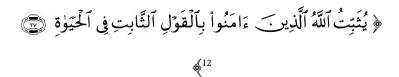
"His is the highest description [i.e. none has the right to be worshipped but He, and there is nothing comparable unto Him] in the heavens and in the earth. And He is the Almighty, the All Wise."

It is "The Husna" that is mentioned by Allah the Most High in His statement:

"As for him who gives [in charity], and keeps his duty to Allâh and fears Him, and believes in AL Husnâ. We will make smooth for him the path of ease [goodness]."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Ar-Rum :27 <sup>11</sup> Al-Lail: 5-7

It is "The firm word" that is mentioned by Allâh in His statement:



"Allâh will keep firm those who believe, with the word that stands firm in this world [i.e. they will keep on worshipping Allâh Alone and none else], and in the Hereafter..."

It is about it that Allâh the Most High will question the Messengers and their followers as He stated:

"Then surely, We shall question those [people] to whom it [the Book] was sent and verily, We shall question the Messengers."

He will ask the Messengers: What was the response of your followers? And will ask their followers what was your response to your Messengers regarding their call to Lâ Ilâha Illa Allâh?

<sup>12</sup> Ibrahim: 27

<sup>13</sup> Al-A'raf: 6

It is narrated that the Prophet said:

"Were the seven heavens and the seven earths to be placed in the scale with Lâ Ilâha Illa Allâh, Lâ Ilâha Illa Allâh will outweigh them"<sup>14</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Narrated: by Hakim (1936) from the hadith of Abu Sa'eed Al-Khudri and Albani declared it weak. In Da'eef At-Tar'gheed: (923)

But this phrase is chained with heavy chains that are heavier upon the one whom Allâh the Almighty misguided than the mountains, and carrying it is heavier upon him than the carrying of iron chains and collars. Unlike, the one whom Allâh the Almighty has granted success, guided, eased upon him the paths of salvation and made his heart subservient to what His Chosen Messenger to whom the paths of salvation and made his heart subservient to what His Chosen Messenger to whom and more delightful to him than fresh and pure water.

# The First Condition

# Al-Ilm [Knowledge]

The First Al-Ilm: is having [knowledge] of what Lâ Ilâha Illa Allâh indicates upon and guides to, Allâh the Most High said:

"Except those who bear witness to the truth knowingly [i.e. believed in the Oneness of Allâh, and obeyed His Orders], and they know [the facts about the Oneness of Allâh]."

Meaning they testify that there is no deity that has the right to be worshiped, but Allâh Alone and they know with their hearts the meaning of what their tongues uttered. It is mentioned in Muslim that Uthmân , said: the Messenger of Allâh , said:

"Whoever dies while knowing that there is no deity that has the right to be worshiped, but Allâh will enter Paradise" 16

<sup>15</sup> Az-Zukhruf:86

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> Narrated: by Muslim.

So, he so, linked the testimony with having [knowledge] of its meaning, and that is to negate worshiping of anything besides Allâh and affirm worship for Allâh Alone, without ascribing partners with Him. But as for the one who raves the phrase like the hallucination of the asleep without comprehending its meaning. How can such an individual negate what the testimony negates and affirm what it affirms when he does not know anything about it? Or how can he implement what he does not have the knowledge of its prerequisites?

# The Second Condition

# Al-Yaqeen [Certainty]

The Second Al-Yaqeen: is having [certainty] with what the testimony indicated upon; likewise having certainty with the unseen, while negating whatever would nullify this certainty of doubts and hesitations. Allâh the Most High said:

"Only those are the believers who have believed in Allâh and His Messenger, and afterward doubt not but strive with their wealth and their lives for the Cause of Allâh.

Those! They are the truthful."

Allâh the Most High has affirmed their faith by linking it with their lack of doubts in it; therefore there is no faith for whoever utters the testimony, while having doubts in them, even if he repeats it the number of times of his breath or yells out with it for all of the people to hear.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Al-Hujurat: 15

It is mentioned in Sahih Muslim from the narrations of Abu Hurayrah &, he said: the Messenger of Allâh &, said:

"I testify that there is no deity that has the right to be worshiped, but Allâh and that I am a Messenger of Allâh; no slave will meet Allâh with them without doubting in them except that he would enter paradise" 18

Also, in another narration of Abu Hurayrah &, it is mentioned that the Messenger of Allâh &, sent him with his sandals and said to him:

"Go with these sandals of mine, whoever you find behind this wall testifying that there is no deity that has the right to be worshiped but Allâh, having certainty with that in his heart, give that individual the glad tidings of Paradise" 19

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Narrated: by Muslim.

<sup>19</sup> Narrated: by Muslim.

So, he , linked the deserving of its testifier Paradise and giving him glad tidings of it with him not being doubtful of it and having certainty of it in his heart.

These two conditions have the same meaning, because negating doubts indicates on the affirmation of [certainty] and affirmation of certainty indicates on the negation of doubts.

# The Third Condition

Al-Qubool [Acceptance]

The Third Al-Qubool: is [accepting], it the testimony contrary to denying its contents, Allâh the Most High said:

"Only those believe in Our Ayât [proofs, evidences, verses, lessons, signs, revelations, etc.], who, when they are reminded of them, fall down prostrate, and glorify the Praises of their Lord, and they are not proud."

The word "Ayât" in this verse means the Qur'ân. And most verses of the Qur'ân are on the subject matter of this word. And the phrase "when they were reminded" means: when they were admonished. And the phrase "they are not proud" means: they are not arrogant about having faith in Allâh and obeying Him. And this is the reality of the negated deification of anything other than Allâh with the phrase "Lâ Ilâha" and by affirming deification for Allâh with the phrase "Illa Allâh" and there is no denying that this is worst than arrogance. This is why Allâh the Most High stated in the right of

This is why Allâh the Most High stated in the right of the one who denied it after being reminded of it, that he promised such an individual a painful punishment:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup>As-Sajda: 15

"Truly, when it was said to them: Lâ Ilâha Illa Allâh
"[none has the right to be worshipped, but Allâh]" they
puffed themselves up with pride [i.e. denied it]. And
[they] said: "Are we going to abandon our âliha [gods]
for the sake of a mad poet?"

They did not leave their negated deities by the phrase "Lâ Ilâha" and they did not [accept] the affirmation of "Illa Allâh" thereupon Allâh the Most High belied them and confirm the truthfulness of His Prophet ﷺ, by saying:

"Nay! he [Muhammad [ﷺ], has come with the truth [i.e. Allâh's Religion Islâmic Monotheism and this Qur'ân] and he confirms the Messengers [before him who brought Allâh's religion Islâmic Monotheism]."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> As-Saffat: 35-36

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup>As-Saffat: 37

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup>As-Saffat:38

# "Verily, you [pagans of Makkah] are going to taste the painful torment"

It came in the authentic narration that Abu Musa &, narrated from the Prophet \*, that he said:

مَثَلُ مَا بَعَثَنيَ اللهُ بهَ منَ الهُدَي وَ العِلْمَ كَمَثَل الغَيْثِ الكَثِيرِ أَصَابَ أَرَضًا فَكَانَ مِنْهَا نَقِيَّةُ قَبِلَتِ الْمَاءَ فَأَنْبَتِ الْكَلَأُ وَالْعُشْبَ الكَثِيرَ وَ كَانَ مِنْهَا أَجَادِبَ أَمْسَكَتِ المَاءَ فَنَفَعَ اللهُ بهِ النَّاسَ فَشَربُوا وَ سَقُوا وَ زَرَعُوا, وَ أَصَابَ مَنْهَا طَائِفَةً أُخْرَي إِنَّمَا هِيَ قَيْعَانٌ لاَ تُمْسكُ مَاءً وَ لاَ تُنْبتُ كَلَأَ فَذَالِكَ مَثلُ مَنْ فَقَهَ فِي دِينِ الله وَ نَفَعَهُ مَا بَعَثَنيَ اللهُ بِهِ فَعَلِمَ وَعَلَّمَ وَ مَثَلُ مَنْ لَمْ يَرْفَعْ بِذَالِكَ رَأْسًا وَ لَمْ يَقْبَلْ هُدَي الله الَّذِي أُرْسِلْتُ بِهِ "The example of that which Allâh the Almighty sent me with of guidance and knowledge is like the example of abundant rain that fell on a soil, some part of the soil is fertile, it accepted the rain and shoot out abundant pasturage and crops, and some part of it is infertile but it holds the water, so Allâh the Almighty benefit the people with it, they drink from it, water their animals and plants from it, but some part of the soil is dry and slippery it neither holds the water nor shoots out the grains. Such is the example of the individual who comprehended the Religion of Allâh and benefited from what Allâh the Almighty sent me with; so he knew the truth and taught it and the example of the individual who paid no mind to that and rejected the guidance that I was sent with". 24

Therefore, take a look at this hadith and learn your lesson from it, for verily it is a lesson for men of understanding, and if you ponder on it you will find that it contains many benefits that are not found in the big volumes of books.

What is intended here is that: the first two examples of those who [accepted] the guidance which the word of Tawheed is its origin, both of them is successful, though they are on different levels of guidance, unlike the third example who neglected the guidance and rejected it; so as a result, he did not benefit from it and did not benefit others, he is an absolute harm on himself and on others.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> Narrated: by Bukhâri (79) and Muslim (2282)

# The Fourth Condition

Al-Inqiyaad [Submission]

The Fourth Al-Inqiyaad: is [yielding], to its meaning that negates leaving its prerequisites, Allâh the Most High said:

"And whosoever submits his face [himself] to Allâh, while he is a Muhsin [good doer i.e. performs good deeds totally for Allâh's sake without any showoff or to gain praise or fame and does them in accordance with the Sunnah of Allâh's Messenger Muhammad , then he has grasped the most trustworthy handhold [Lâ Ilâha ill Allah [none has the right to be worshipped, but Allâh]]"

"Submitting his face to Allâh" means: he [yields] and humbles himself to the Obedience of Allâh while singling out Allâh Alone with worship, whoever does that has indeed grasped to the most trustworthy handhold and that is "Lâ Ilâha Illa Allâh". So this verse excluded whoever did not submit his face to Allâh or single Him out Alone with worship, such individual did not grasp the most trustworthy handhold.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> Luqman: 22

This is what is intended in His statement the Most High in the following verse:

"And whoever disbelieved, let not his disbelief grieve you [O Muhammad ﷺ, ]To Us is their return, and We shall inform them what they have done. Verily, Allâh is the All Knower of what is in the breasts [of men]. We let them enjoy for a little while, then in the end We shall oblige them to [enter] a great torment."

And in the forty hadith it is mentioned that the Prophet \*\*, said:

"None of you will be a believer until his desire submits to what I am sent with".<sup>27</sup>

<sup>27</sup> Ibn Abi Aasim narrated it in As-Sunnah (15) from the hadith of Abdullah Ibn Amr , him and Albani declared it weak in Dhwilaalaal Al-Jannah.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> Lugman: 23-24

He made [submitting] to what he brought a condition for an individual's faith, and negated faith from whoever did not submit to the truth.

It is known that the Prophet ﷺ, preceded the call to this phrase before calling to any aspect of this religion. Therefore, whoever does not submit to its prerequisites is considered not submitting to anything that the Messenger ﷺ, came with.

# The Fifth Condition

# Al-Ikhlaas [Sincerity]

The Fifth Al-Ikhlaas: is making religion [pure and sincere], to Allâh in a manner that negates Shirk i.e., associating partner with Allâh, which the Ikhlaas i.e., sincerity, would not be accepted along with; Allâh the Most High said:

"Surely the religion [i.e. the worship and the obedience] is for Allâh only."

And He the Most High said:

"So worship Allâh [Alone] by doing religious deeds sincerely for Allâh's sake only."

And the Most High said:



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> Az-Zumar: 3

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> Az-Zumar: 2

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup> Al-Baiyina: 5

"And they were commanded not, but that they should worship Allâh, and worship none but Him Alone [abstaining from ascribing partners to Him], and perform As Salât [IqâmatasSalât] and give Zakât, and that is the right religion."

And He the Most High said:

﴿ إِنَّ ٱلْمَنفِقِينَ فِي ٱلدَّرُكِ ٱلْأَسْفَلِ مِنَ ٱلنَّارِ وَلَن تَجَدَ لَهُمْ نَصِيرًا ﴿ إِلَّا ٱلَّذِينَ تَابُواْ وَأَصْلَحُواْ وَٱعْتَصَمُواْ بِٱللَّهِ وَأَخْلَصُواْ دِينَهُمْ لِلَّهِ فَأُوْلَنَبِكَ مَعَ ٱلْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَسَوْفَ يُؤْتِ ٱللَّهُ ٱلْمُؤْمِنِينَ أَجْرًا عَظِيمًا ﴿ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ ٱلْمُؤْمِنِينَ أَجْرًا عَظِيمًا ﴿ اللهِ المَالمُوالمِلْمُ المِلْمُوالمُل

"Verily, the hypocrites will be in the lowest depth [grade] of the Fire; no helper will you find for them. Except those who repent [from hypocrisy], do righteous good deeds, hold fast to Allâh, and purify their religion for Allâh [by worshipping none but Allâh, and do good for Allâh's sake only, not to showoff], then they will be with the believers. And Allâh will grant the believers a great reward."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> An-Nisaa: 145-146

Allâh the Almighty has made their [sincerity] with Allâh in their religion the condition for them being with the believers. Therefore, whoever proclaims the phrase of Tawheed, but is not sincere with it, is not with the believers; rather he is with the hypocrites who will be in the lowest depth of Hellfire. And the Messenger of Allâh **56**, said:

"Whoever dies without associating anything with Allâh will enter paradise and whoever dies in a state of associating something with Allâh will enter the Hellfire" 32

This hadith is narrated by Al Bukhāri and Muslim from the narrations of Ibn Mas'ood and Jabir ...

Also, When Abu Hurayrah , asked the Prophet , who is the most fortunate one with your intercession O Messenger of Allâh! He said:

"The one who said Lâ Ilâha Illa Allâh sincerely from his heart" 33

33 Al-Bukhâri narrated this hadith (99)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>32</sup> Narrated: by Al-Bukhâri (1238) and Muslim (92) from the narrations of Abdullah Ibn Mas'ood &, Muslim narrated it from the hadith of Jabir &, (93)

This narration is from the clear narrations that does not need any interpretation or clarification.

#### The Sixth Condition

#### As-Sadiq [Truthfulness]

The Sixth As-Sadiq: is the [truthfulness], that negates all falsehood meaning; the heart and the tongue must commit to it. Allâh the Most High said:

"O you who believe! Be afraid of Allâh, and be with those who are true [in words and deeds]."

And Allâh the Most High mentioned in exposing what the hypocrites conceal and in tearing up their screen which they used to cover up their disbelief, when they proclaimed Islâm and concealed Kufr in His statement the Most High:

﴿ وَمِنَ ٱلنَّاسِ مَن يَقُولُ ءَامَنَّا بِٱللَّهِ وَبِٱلْيَوْمِ ٱلْأَخِرِ وَمَا هُم بِمُؤْمِنِينَ ﴿ تُحَندِعُونَ ٱللَّهَ وَٱلَّذِينَ ءَامَنُواْ وَمَا عَنْدَعُونَ وَ اللَّهَ وَٱلَّذِينَ ءَامَنُواْ وَمَا يَخْدَعُونَ وَ اللَّهَ وَٱلَّذِينَ عَلَوبِهِم عَنْدَعُونَ ﴿ فِي قُلُوبِهِم عَنْدَعُونَ ﴿ فِي قُلُوبِهِم

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> At-Tauba: 119

"And of mankind, there are some [hypocrites] who say:
"We believe in Allâh and the Last Day" while in fact
they believe not. They [think to] deceive Allâh and
those who believe, while they only deceive themselves,
and perceive [it] not! In their hearts is a disease [of
doubt and hypocrisy] and Allâh has increased their
disease. A painful torment is theirs because they used to
tell lies."

So, Allâh the Almighty belied them in their claim "We believe in Allâh and the Last Day," with His statement: "while in fact they believe not". And this is because Allâh the Almighty saw what is in their hearts of sickness and that their tongues did not commit to it; so they are the worst disbelievers and their abode will be in the lowest depth of the Hellfire. Allâh the Most High has indeed exposed them and disgraced them a lot in Soorat Tauba with His statement "And from among them" and "From among them".

<sup>35</sup> Al-Baqarah: 8-10

Likewise, in Soorat An-Nisaa and Soorat Al-Munafiqun and other than these chapters in which Allâh the Almighty testifies that they are liars.

And in the hadith of Mu'adh Ibn Jabal &, that the Messenger &, said:

"Whoever testifies that there is no deity that has the right to be worshiped, but Allâh and that Muhammad is a Messenger of Allâh truthfully in his heart, Allâh will make Hellfire forbidden on him" this hadith is agreed upon."<sup>36</sup>

Likewise, in the hadith of the Bedouin who came to the Prophet , asking him about the pillars of Islâm which is the greatest of them is this word, when the Prophet , informed him with them he said: "Is there anything that is upon me to do beside them?"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>36</sup> Al-Bukhâri narrated it (128) and Muslim (32)

The Prophet ﷺ, said: لَا إِلاّ أَنْ تَطُوّع "No except if you want extra reward then you do the supererogatory acts of worship" The Bedouin said: "By Allah! I will not add to it, nor decrease from it". And the Messenger of Allah ﷺ, said: "أَفْلَحَ إِنْ صَدَقَ" "He is successful if he is truthful".37

So, he linked his success with the condition of him being truthful. Thereupon, the liar and the hypocrite are excluded, for verily there will be no success for them at all. Rather, theirs is failure and destruction; we seek refuge with Allâh from that.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> Narrated by Al-Bukhâri (46) and Muslim (11) from the narrations of Talha Ibn Ubaidillah ...

#### The Seventh Condition

#### Al-Muhabaah [Love]

The Seventh Al-Muhabaah: is [love], which is to love Allâh and His Messenger ﷺ, more than you love anything else, and to love for Allâh, hate for Allâh, befriend for Allâh and shun for Allâh. Allâh the Almighty stated:

"And of mankind are some who take [for worship] others besides Allâh as rivals [to Allâh]. They love them as they love Allâh. But those who believe love Allâh more [than anything else]."

"O you who believe! Whoever from among you turns back from his religion [Islâm], Allâh will bring a people

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>38</sup> Al-Baqarah: 165

<sup>39</sup> Al-Maidah: 54

whom He will love and they will love Him; humble towards the believers, stern towards the disbelievers..."

"You [O Muhammad ﷺ], will not find any people who believe in Allâh and the Last Day, making friendship with those who oppose Allâh and His Messenger [Muhammad ﷺ], even though they were their fathers, or their sons, or their brothers, or their kindred [people]."

So Allâh the Most High describe his slaves that, their love for Him is more, and that He loves them and they love Him, and that they don't show love to the one who opposes Allâh and His Messenger , even if they were to be the most closest ones to them. We abstract from this verse that, no one will love the oppositions of Allâh and His Messenger , except the one who is accused in his religion; rather he is among the rejecters of the truth.

<sup>40</sup> Al-Mujadila: 22

As Allâh the Almighty stated:

"O you who believe! Take not the Jews and the Christians as Auliyâ' [friends, protectors, helpers], they are but Auliyâ' of one another. And if any amongst you takes them [as Auliyâ'], then surely he is one of them. Verily, Allâh guides not those people who are the Zâlimûn [polytheists and wrongdoers and unjust]."

It is narrated in Sahih that Anas &, said: The Prophet &, said:

ثَلاَثُ مَنْ كُنَّ فِيهِ وَجَدَ بِهِنَّ حَلاَوةَ اللإِيْمَانِ أَنْ يَكُونَ اللهُ وَ رَسُولُهُ أَحَبُ إِلَيهِ مِمّا سِوَاهُمَا وَ أَنْ يُحِبُّ الْمَرْءَ لاَ يُحِبُّهُ إِلاّ لِلهِ وَ أَنْ يُحِبُّ الْمَرْءَ لاَ يُحِبُّهُ إِلاّ لِلهِ وَ أَنْ يَكْرَهُ أَنْ يُقْذَفَ فِي النّارِ وَ أَنْ يُكْرَهُ أَنْ يُقْذَفَ فِي النّارِ "Whoever these three qualities are found in him will taste the sweetness of faith: To love Allâh and His Messenger more than he loves anyone else, and to love a man just for the Sake of Allâh, to hate to go back to disbelief as he

dislikes to be flung in fire"42

<sup>41</sup> Al-Maidah: 51

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>42</sup> Narrated: by Al-Bukhâri (16) and Muslim (43)

It is also narrated in the same subject matter from Anas , that he said: the Messenger of Allâh , said:

"None of you will be a believer until he gave me preference over his son, his father, and mankind in general".<sup>43</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>43</sup> Narrated: by Al-Bukhâri (14) and Muslim (44)

# The Meaning of the Testification that Muhammad is the Messenger of Allâh **\***

Also, know that testifying that there is no deity that has the right to be worshiped, but Allâh will not make you a believer, until you testify that Muhammad , is a Messenger of Allâh with adhering to the conditions we mentioned previously with their enunciated and understood proofs from the Book and the Sunnah that are linked between these two testimonies and their conditions.

And the meaning of testifying that Muhammad 26, is a Messenger of Allâh; is to accept as true whatever he informs us with from his Lord from among the past chronicles and the future chronicles, and the things that he made lawful and the ones he made unlawful with a dogmatic affirmation and true certainty, without any doubts involved and without any delusions. And to adhere and submit to what he has commanded with from the Islâmic legislations<sup>44</sup>.

<sup>44</sup> Sheikh Bin Baaz may Allâh have mercy on him, said regarding this matter in his book "Clarifying The Meaning of Lâ Ilâha Illa Allâh" Likewise, if he belied a prophet from the prophets and said that Muhammad ﷺ, is the Messenger of Allâh, I believe in him and I am one who Singles out Allâh for all worship and I say "Lâ Ilâha Illa Allâh," however I say that Isâ the son of Maryâm ﷺ, is a liar and he's not a Messenger, neither is Mûsâ ﷺ, Hârûn ﷺ, Dâwûd ﷺ, Sulaimân ﷺ, Nûh ﷺ, Hud ﷺ, Saalih ﷺ or other than them whom the Qur'ân has established for them Prophethood are not prophets or he curses them, then he has disbelieved by the consensus of the Ulamaah. His statement of "Lâ Ilâha Illa Allâh" did not benefit him, nor did his testimony that Muhammad ﷺ, is the Messenger of Allâh, nor did his fasting, because he has belied Allâh and His Messenger ﷺ, and he has disrespected the Messengers of Allâh.

And to desist and abstain from the unlawful things which he has prohibited, to follow his legislations and adhere to his Sunnah inwardly and outwardly with being pleased with his judgment and surrendering to it. That is because if we know for sure that he is a Messenger s, from Allâh the Most High; we will as well know for sure that his commands, his prohibitions and all his legislations are conveying of what Allâh the Most High commanded with, prohibited from and legislated.

This is why the Most High said:

"He who obeys the Messenger [Muhammad ﷺ], has indeed obeyed Allâh, but he who turns away, then we have not sent you [O Muhammad ﷺ], as a watcher over them."

Also, He the Most High said:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>45</sup> An-Nisaa: 80 <sup>46</sup> Al-i-'Imran: 31

"Say [O Muhammad ﷺ], to mankind]: "If you [really] love Allâh then follow me [i.e. accept Islâmic Monotheism, follow the Qur'ân and the Sunnah], Allâh will love you and forgive you your sins. And Allâh is Oft-Forgiving, Most Merciful."

And He the Most High said:

"And whatsoever the Messenger [Muhammad ﷺ], gives you, take it; and whatsoever he forbids you, abstain [from it]."

And His statement the Most High:

"But no, by your Lord, they can have no Faith, until they make you [O Muhammad ﷺ], judge in all disputes between them, and find in themselves no resistance

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>47</sup> Al-Hashr: 7

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>48</sup> An-Nisaa: 65

## against your decisions, and accept [them] with full submission."

Therefore, obeying the Messenger of Allâh , is obeying Allâh and disobeying him is disobeying Allâh, and following him is following what Allâh loves and is pleased with, and this is what will make you qualified for the Forgiveness of Allâh and His Mercy, and judging by what the Messenger , brought is judging by what Allâh the Most High revealed, and hating his judgment is hating the Judgment of Allâh the Almighty. That is because the Messenger , did not command with anything, except what Allâh commanded him with and he did not prohibited and he did not legislate anything, except what Allâh the Almighty prohibited and he did not legislate anything, except what Allâh the Almighty commanded him to convey and he did not judge, except with what Allâh the Almighty wanted.

This is why Allâh the Most High said:

"But if they turn away [O Muhammad 鸞], from the Islâmic Monotheism, which you have brought to them]. We have not sent you [O Muhammad 鑑], as a Hâfidz [watcher, protector] over them [i.e. to take care of their

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>49</sup> Ash-Shura: 48

deeds and to recompense them]. Your duty is to convey [the Message]."

And He the Most High said:

"Say: "Obey Allâh and obey the Messenger, but if you turn away, he [Messenger Muhammad ﷺ], is only responsible for the duty placed on him [i.e. to convey Allâh's Message] and you for that placed on you. If you obey him, you shall be on the right guidance. The Messenger's duty is only to convey [the message] in a clear way [i.e. to preach in a plain way]."

And He the Most High said:

﴿ وَأَطِيعُواْ آللهَ وَأَطِيعُواْ آلرَّسُولَ وَآحَذَرُواْ ۚ فَإِن تَوَلَّيْتُمْ فَاعْدَرُواْ ۚ فَإِن تَوَلَّيْتُمْ فَاعْلَمُواْ أَنَّمَا عَلَىٰ رَسُولِنَا ٱلْبَلَغُ ٱلْمُبِينُ ﴿ 3 عَلَىٰ رَسُولِنَا ٱلْبَلَغُ ٱلْمُبِينُ ﴿ 3 عَلَىٰ رَسُولِنَا ٱلْبَلَغُ ٱلْمُبِينُ ﴿ 3 عَلَىٰ رَسُولِنَا ٱلْبَلَغُ اللّٰمُبِينُ ﴿ 3 عَلَىٰ رَسُولِنَا ٱلْبَلَغُ اللّٰمُبِينُ ﴿ 3 عَلَىٰ رَسُولِنَا اللّٰمَ اللّٰهُ عَلَىٰ اللّٰمُ اللّٰمِ اللّٰمُ اللّٰمُ اللّٰمُ اللّٰمُ اللّٰمُ اللّٰمُ اللّٰمُ اللّٰمُ اللّٰمُ اللّٰمِ اللّٰمِ اللّٰمُ اللّٰمُ اللّٰمِ اللّٰمِ اللّٰمِ اللّٰمُ اللّٰمِ اللّٰمِ اللّٰمِ اللّٰمُ اللّٰمِ اللّٰمِ اللّٰمُ اللّٰمِ اللّٰمُ اللّٰمُ اللّٰمُ اللّٰمُ اللّٰمِ اللّٰمُ اللّٰمِ اللّٰمُ اللّٰمُ اللّٰمِ اللّٰمُ اللّٰمُ اللّٰمُ اللّٰمِ اللّٰمِ اللّٰمِ اللّٰمِ اللّٰمِ اللّٰمِمِ الللّٰمِ اللّٰمِ اللّٰمِ اللّٰمِ الللّٰمُ اللّٰمِمُ اللّٰمِ اللّٰمِمُ اللّٰمُ اللّٰمُ اللّٰمُ اللّٰمُ اللّٰمُ اللّٰمُ اللّٰمُ

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>50</sup> An-Nur: 54

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>51</sup> Al-Maidah: 92

"And obey Allâh and the Messenger [Muhammad ﷺ], and beware [of even coming near to drinking or gambling or Al-Ansâb, or Al-Azlâm, etc.] and fear Allâh. Then if you turn away, you should know that it is Our Messenger's duty to convey [the Message] in the clearest way."

And He the Most High said:

﴿ قُلۡ إِنِّى لَن يُجِيرَنِي مِنَ ٱللَّهِ أَحَدُ وَلَنْ أَجِدَ مِن دُونِهِ مَا لَكُ وَلَنْ أَجِدَ مِن دُونِهِ مَا لَلَّهَ مُلۡتَحَدًا ﴿ وَمَن يَعْصِ ٱللَّهَ وَرِسَلَنتِهِ عَلَى وَمَن يَعْصِ ٱللَّهَ وَرَسُولَهُ وَ فَإِنَّ لَهُ وَنَارَ جَهَنَّمَ خَلِدِينَ فِيهَ آ أَبَدًا ﴿ وَهُ عَلَا إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَرَسُولَهُ وَ فَإِنَّ لَهُ وَنَارَ جَهَنَّمَ خَلِدِينَ فِيهَ آ أَبَدًا ﴿ وَهُ عَلَا إِلَّهُ اللَّهُ وَرَسُولَهُ وَ فَإِنَّ لَهُ وَنَارَ جَهَنَّمَ خَلِدِينَ فِيهَ آ أَبَدًا ﴿ وَاللَّهُ اللَّهُ وَاللَّهُ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ وَرَسُولَهُ وَاللَّهُ اللَّهُ الللّهُ اللَّهُ اللّهُ اللّهُ اللّهُ اللّهُ اللّهُ اللّهُولَا اللّهُ اللّهُ اللّهُ اللّهُ اللّهُ اللّهُ اللّهُ اللّهُ اللّ

"Say [O Muhammad [I Wone can protect me from Allâh's punishment [If I were to disobey Him], nor should I find refuge except in Him. [Mine is] but conveyance [of the truth] from Allâh and His Messages [of Islâmic Monotheism], and whosoever disobeys Allâh and His Messenger, then verily, for him is the Fire of Hell, he shall dwell therein forever."

And He the Most High said:

<sup>52</sup> Al-Jinn:22-23

"O Messenger [Muhammad [8]! Proclaim [the Message] which has been sent down to you from your Lord. And if you do not, then you have not conveyed His Message. Allâh will protect you from mankind. Verily, Allâh guides not the people who disbelieve."

Therefore he , is a servant who worships and not worshiped, and a Messenger that must not be rejected; rather he must be obeyed and be followed, so we bear witness that he is a Slave of Allâh and His Messenger. Allâh the Almighty honored him with servitude and attributed him with it in one of his most honorable circumstances. He the Most High said:

﴿ سُبْحَنَ ٱلَّذِيَ أَسْرَىٰ بِعَبْدِهِ لَيْلًا مِّرَ ٱلْمَسْجِدِ اللَّهِ مِنْ اللَّمَسْجِدِ الْأَقْصَا ٱلَّذِي بَرَكْنَا حَوْلَهُ لِنُزِيهُ وَ الْحَرَامِ إِلَى ٱلْمَسْجِدِ ٱلْأَقْصَا ٱلَّذِي بَرَكْنَا حَوْلَهُ لِنُزِيهُ وَ السَّمِيعُ ٱلْبَصِيرُ ﴿ 54 مِنْ ءَايَنْنَا ۚ إِنَّهُ وَهُو ٱلسَّمِيعُ ٱلْبَصِيرُ ﴿ 54 مِنْ ءَايَنْنَا ۚ إِنَّهُ وَهُو ٱلسَّمِيعُ ٱلْبَصِيرُ ﴿ 54 مِنْ ءَايَنْنَا ۚ إِنَّهُ وَهُو ٱلسَّمِيعُ ٱلْبَصِيرُ ﴿ 54 مِنْ ءَايَنْنَا ۚ إِنَّهُ وَهُو ٱلسَّمِيعُ ٱلْبَصِيرُ ﴿

"Glorified [and Exalted] is He [Allâh] [above all that [evil] they associate with Him] [Tafsir Qurtubi] Who

<sup>53</sup> Al-Maidah: 67

<sup>54</sup> Al-Israa:1

took His slave [Muhammad 🍇] for a journey by night from Al-Masjid Al-Harâm [at Makkah] to Al-Masjid Al-Aqsâ [in Jerusalem], the neighborhood whereof We have blessed, in order that We might show him [Muhammad 🝇] of Our Ayât [proofs, evidences, lessons, signs, etc.]. Verily, He is the All Hearer, the All Seer."

He the Most High said:

"So [Allâh] revealed to His slave [Muhammad \*\*] through Jibraîl [Gabriel] [peace be upon him]] whatever He revealed."

He the Most High said:

"All the praises and thanks are to Allâh, Who has sent down to His slave [Muhammad ﷺ] the Book [the Qur'ân], and has not placed therein any crookedness."

He the Most High said:

<sup>55</sup> An-Najm:10

<sup>56</sup> Al-Kahf:1

"And if you [Arab pagans, Jews, and Christians] are in doubt concerning that which We have sent down [i.e. the Qur'an to Our slave [Muhammad ﷺ] then produce a Sûrah [Chapter] of the like thereof..."

And there are other several verses on that. Also, Allâh the Most High has born witness for him in his s, message in His statement:

"Allâh knows that you are indeed His Messenger"

Also, He the Most High said:

"Muhammad[鑑]is the Messenger of Allâh".

Also, He the Most High said:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>57</sup> Al-Baqarah:23 <sup>58</sup> Al-Munafiqun:1

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>59</sup> Al-Fat-h: 29



"Muhammad [si is no more than a Messenger, and indeed [many] Messengers have passed away before him."

Also, He the Most High said:

"A Messenger [Muhammad ﷺ] from Allâh, reciting [the Qur'ân] purified pages [purified from Al-Bâtil [falsehood]]"

Allâh the Most High, however grants salvation from His punishment and enters in His mercy only to those who followed him, believed in him, honored him, helped him and followed the path that is revealed to him.

He the Most High stated:

﴿ ﴿ وَٱلْكُتُبُ لَنَا فِي هَندِهِ ٱلدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةً وَفِي ٱلْأَخِرَةِ إِنَّا هُدُنَا إِلَيْكَ قَالَ عَذَابِيٓ أُصِيبُ بِهِ مَنْ أَشَاءُ وَرَحْمَتِي هُدُنَا إِلَيْكَ قَالَ عَذَابِيٓ أُصِيبُ بِهِ مَنْ أَشَاءُ وَرَحْمَتِي فَدُنَا إِلَيْكَ قَالَ عَذَابِيٓ أُصِيبُ بِهِ مَنْ أَشَاءُ وَرَحْمَتِي وَسِعَتْ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ فَسَأَكْتُهُمَا لِلَّذِينَ يَتَّقُونَ وَيُؤْتُونَ

<sup>60</sup> Al-i-'Imran: 144

<sup>61</sup> Al-Baiyina:2

ٱلزَّكُوةَ وَٱلَّذِينَ هُم بِعَايَتِنَا يُؤْمِنُونَ ﴿ ٱلَّذِينَ النَّبِيُّ ٱلْأُمِّ ٱلَّذِي يَجَدُونَهُ مَكْتُوبًا عِندَهُمْ فِي ٱلرَّسُولَ ٱلنَّبِيُّ ٱلْأُمِّ ٱلَّذِي يَجَدُونَهُ مَكْتُوبًا عِندَهُمْ فِي ٱلتَّوْرَئِةِ وَٱلْإِنجِيلِ يَأْمُرُهُم بِٱلْمَعْرُوفِ وَيَنْهَمُ عَندَهُمْ فِي ٱلشَّوْرَئِةِ وَٱلْإِنجِيلِ يَأْمُرُهُم بِٱلْمَعْرُوفِ وَيَنْهَمُ عَن ٱلْمُعْرُوفِ وَيَنْهَمُ عَلَيْهِمُ ٱلْمُعْرَوفِ وَيَنْهَمُ عَلَيْهِمُ ٱلْمُعْرَوفِ وَيَنْهَمُ عَلَيْهِمُ ٱلْمُعْرَوفُ وَتَصَرُوهُ وَاتَبَعُواْ ٱلنُورَ فَالَّذِينَ عَلَيْهِمْ أَوْلَتِهِكَ هُمُ ٱلْمُعْلِحُونَ وَعَالَى اللَّذِينَ عَلَيْهِمُ اللَّهُ اللَّهِ عَنْهُمْ أَوْلَتِهِكَ هُمُ ٱلْمُعْلِحُونَ وَنَصَرُوهُ وَٱلنَّبَعُواْ ٱلنُورَ وَاللَّذِينَ أَنزِلَ مَعَهُ وَالْمُعْلِكَ هُمُ ٱلْمُعْلِحُونَ فَي اللَّهُ عَنْهُمْ الْمُعْرَوفُ وَنَصَرُوهُ وَاتَّبَعُواْ ٱلنُورَ وَاللَّذِينَ أَنزِلَ مَعَهُ وَالْمُعْلِكَ هُمُ ٱلْمُعْلِحُونَ ﴿ وَاللَّهُ عَلَيْكُونَ اللَّهُ وَاللَّهُ عَلَى اللَّهُ عَلَى اللَّهُ وَاللَّهُ وَاللَّهُ عَلَى اللَّهُ عَلَى اللَّهُ عَلَى اللَّهُ وَا اللَّهُ وَا اللَّهُ وَا اللَّهُ وَاللَّهُ عَلَى اللَّهُ عَلَى اللَّهُ عَلَيْكُونَ اللَّهُ وَاللَّهُ عَلَى اللَّهُ عَلَى اللَّهُ عَلَى اللَّهُ عَلَى اللَّهُ عَلَى اللَّهُ وَا اللَّهُ وَاللَّهُ عَلَى اللَّهُمُ اللَّهُ عَلَى اللَّهُ عَلَى اللَّهُ عَلَى اللَّهُ وَالْمُولَ عَلَيْكُونَ اللَّهُ عَلَى اللَّهُ عَلَيْكُونَ اللَّهُ عَلَى اللَّهُ عَلَى اللَّهُ عَلَيْكُولَ اللَّهُ عَلَى اللّهُ عَلَى الللّهُ عَلَيْكُولَ الللّهُ عَلَيْكُولَ اللّهُ اللّهُ عَلَى الللّهُ عَلَيْكُولَ اللّهُ اللّهُ اللّهُ اللّهُ عَلَيْكُولَ اللّهُ اللّهُ اللّهُ اللّهُ اللّهُ عَلَيْمُ اللّهُ الللّهُ اللّهُ اللّهُ اللّهُ اللّهُ اللّهُ اللّهُ اللّهُ اللّهُو

"And ordain for us good in this world, and in the Hereafter. Certainly we have turned unto You." He said: [As to] My Punishment I afflict therewith whom I will and My Mercy embraces all things. That [Mercy] I shall ordain for those who are the Muttaqûn [pious see V.2:2], and give Zakât; and those who believe in Our Ayât [proofs, evidences, verses, lessons, signs and revelations, etc.]; Those who follow the Messenger, the Prophet who can neither read nor write [i.e. Muhammad whom they find written with them in the Taurât [Torah] [Deut, xviii, I5] and the Injeel [Gospel] [John xiv, I6], he commands them for Al-Ma'rûf [i.e. Islâmic Monotheism and all that Islâm has ordained]; and forbids them from Al-Munkar [i.e. disbelief, polytheism

<sup>62</sup>Al-A'raf:156-157

of all kinds, and all that Islâm has forbidden]; he allows them as lawful At-Taiyibât [[i.e. all good and lawful] as regards things, deeds, beliefs, persons, foods], and prohibits them as unlawful Al-Khabâ'ith [i.e. all evil and unlawful as regards things, deeds, beliefs, persons, foods], he releases them from their heavy burdens [of Allâh's Covenant], and from the fetters [bindings] that were upon them. So those who believe in him [Muhammad [3]] honor him, help him, and follow the light [the Qur'ân] which has been sent down with him, it is they who will be successful."

We also bear witness on the universality of his message and that he is sent to both mankind and jinn.

Allâh the Most High said:

"Say [O Muhammad ﷺ] "O mankind! Verily, I am sent to you all as the Messenger of Allâh to Whom belongs the dominion of the heavens and the earth. Lâ Ilâha Illa

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<sup>63</sup> Al-A'raf: 158

Huwa [none has the right to be worshipped but He]. It is He Who gives life and causes death. So believe in Allâh and His Messenger [Muhammad ﷺ] the Prophet who can neither read nor write [i.e. Muhammad ﷺ] who believes in Allâh and His Words [[this Qur'ân], the Taurât [Torah] and the Injeel [Gospel] and also Allâh's Word: "Be!" and he was, i.e. 'Isâ [Jesus] son of Maryam [Mary], [peace be upon them]] and follow him so that you may be guided."

And it is authentically narrated that Abu Hurayrah , said: The Prophet , said:

"I swear by Him in Whose Hand is the soul of Muhammad no one from this nation will hear from me, weather a Jew or a Christian and then died without believing in what I am sent with except that he will be from the dwellers of Hellfire" 64

And Allâh the Almighty took the covenant of the prophets upon believing in Him in His statement:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>64</sup> Narrated: by Muslim (153)

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"And [remember] when Allâh took the Covenant of the Prophets, saying: "Take whatever I gave you from the Book and Hikmah [understanding of the Laws of Allâh], and afterwards there will come to you a Messenger [Muhammad \*] confirming what is with you; you must, then, believe in him and help him." Allâh said: "Do you agree [to it] and will you take up My Covenant [which I conclude with you]?" They said: "We agree." He said: "Then bear witness; and I am with you among the witnesses [for this]."

And we testify that any deed that contradict what the Prophet , was sent with after his death will not be accepted from such an individual even a size of an atom no matter what that individual did, and that is because the Prophet , was sent with the Religion of Islâm and Allâh the Almighty says:

<sup>65</sup> Al-i-'Imran:81

"And whoever seeks a religion other than Islâm, it will never be accepted of him, and in the Hereafter he will be one of the losers."

Also, it is mentioned in the two authentic books from the narrations of Ayesha that she said: the Messenger of Allâh ﷺ, said:

"Who ever invented in this affair of ours that which is not from it would have it rejected"<sup>67</sup>

And in the narration of Muslim:

"Whoever does an action in this affair of ours that is not from our command would have it rejected" 68

And we also bear witness that Allâh did not take the soul of Muhammad ﷺ, until after He completed the religion for us through him, and that he the Prophet ﷺ, had conveyed all that he was sent with, with clarity, and

<sup>68</sup> Narrated by Muslim (1718)

<sup>66</sup> Al-i-'Imran:85

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>67</sup> Narrated by Al-Bukhâri (2697) and Muslim (1718)

that he did not skip any good thing without showing it to the Ummah and guiding them to it just as he did not skip any harmful thing on the Ummah without warning them from it and prohibiting them from it, until he left us upon the straight and clear path of which the night is as bright as the day, nor none goes against it after his death, except the destructive one. Allâh the Almighty revealed on him in his farewell pilgrimage which marked the last gathering he had with the people in His statement the Most High:

"This day, I have perfected your religion for you, completed My Favor upon you, and have chosen for you Islâm as your religion."

It is in this great gathering that the Prophet ﷺ, addressed the people and said in his speech: "Have I conveyed the message? They said yes". He said: "الشُهَدُ" "O Allâh bear witness to that while raising his finger to the sky and then pointing with it at the people three times" this hadith is in the Sahihân. And we also

<sup>69</sup> Al-Maidah:3

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>70</sup> Narrated by Al-Bukhâri (1741) and Muslim (1678) from the narrations of Abu Bakrah ♣.

bear witness that he is the Seal of the Messengers and that there will be no prophet after him, and that whoever claims Prophethood after him is a liar, and whoever believes in this claim is a disbeliever.

Allâh the Most High said:

"Muhammad [鸞], is not the father of any of your men, but he is the Messenger of Allâh and the last [end] of the Prophets. And Allâh is Ever All Aware of everything."

And in the hadith of the Dajjâls [false prophets] that are mentioned in Sahihân and other than them the Prophet \*\*, said:

"And that he will claim that he is a prophet, I am the seal of the prophets and there will be no prophet after me"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>71</sup> Al-Ahzab: 40

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>72</sup> I did not find it in Saheehain but Ibn Maajah emanated it(4077) from the hadith of Abi Umaamah and Albani declared it weak in his compilation of weak narrations (6384)

Likewise, in the Sunan in the hadith of Thawbaan ::

"There will come after me, thirty falsifiers, all of them think that they are prophets, I am the seal of the prophets there is no prophet after me"<sup>73</sup>

Therefore he , is the seal of the prophets and the leader of the sons of Adam including the prophets and the Messengers, Allâh the Most High said:

"Those Messengers! We preferred some to others; to some of them Allâh spoke [directly]; others He raised to degrees [of honor];"

And the scholars of Tafsir said: "Others he raised to degrees of honor" that is Muhammad ...

<sup>74</sup> Al-Baqarah: 253

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>73</sup> Narrated: by Abu Daawud (4352 )and Albani declared it authentic in his compilation of authentic narrations (1773)

And in the long hadith of intercession he s, said:

"I am the leader of the sons of Adam and this is not being proud"<sup>75</sup>

And we believe in the extraordinary miracles which Allâh the Almighty gave him, and the biggest of these miracles is the Qur'an. Allâh the Most High said:

"Falsehood cannot come to it from before it or behind it: [it is] sent down by the All Wise, Worthy of all praise [Allâh [glorified and exalted be He]]"

And he ﷺ, said regarding the Qur'ân:

"I am leaving with you, that which if you hold fast to, you will not go astray after; the Book of Allâh ...."77

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>75</sup> Narrated: by Al Bukhâri (3340) and Muslim (194)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>76</sup> Fussilat: 42

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>77</sup> Narrated: by At-Tirmidhi (3788) and Albani declared it authentic in his compilation of authentic narrations (2458)

And we believe with what Allâh the Almighty will honor him within the Hereafter of dignities, some of which is the praised worthy stand which the first and the last generation will be jealous of. Allâh the Most High said:

"It may be that your Lord will raise you to Maqâm Mahmûd [a station of praise and glory, i.e. the honor of intercession on the Day of Resurrection.]."

Also he ﷺ, said:

"I will be the first to intercede and the first whom intercession will be granted to" 79

And in some narration he s, said:

"And the first person to knock the door of paradise"80

<sup>80</sup> Narrated: by Muslim (196) from the narrations of Anas &

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>78</sup> 1-Israa: 79

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>79</sup> Narrated: by Muslim (2278) from the narrations of Abi Hurayrah &

And other than these proofs that are many. The proofs from the book and the Sunnah on the prerequisites of the two testimonies and their conditions are many.

We mentioned just a few of these proofs from the Book and the Sunnah for each issue for the purpose of summarizing, otherwise these proofs are just some from all and a peace from a whole and a drop from an ocean. And they are sufficient for whomever Allâh the Almighty wants to take out of the darkness to the light. And my success is only with Allâh Alone, in Him Alone I put my trust and to Him I turn in repentance and there is no might or power, except with Allâh the Almighty the Great. And may peace and blessings of Allâh be upon Muhammad , his family members and his companion.

#### Worksheet

#### Answer the following questions and provide your proof:

- I. Why did Allâh create us?
- 2. What is the proof for the purpose which Allâh created us for?
- 3. What is the definition of worship?
- 4. What is the definition of Lâ Ilâha Illa Allâh?
- 5. What is the definition of Muhammad Rasoolu Allâh?
- 6. How many conditions are there for Lâ Ilâha Illa Allâh?
- 7. What is the proof that Muhammad is the Messenger of Allâh?
- 8. What is **Al-Ilm** [Knowledge]?
- 9. What is **Al-Yaqeen** [Certainty]?
- IO. What is **Al-Qubool** [Acceptance]?

- II. What is **Al-Inqiyaad** [Yielding]?
- 12. What is **Al- Ikhlaas** [Sincerity]?
- 13. What is As-Sadiq [Truthfulness]?
- I4. What is **Al- Muhabaah** [Love]?
- I5. What is the condition to believe that Muhammad is the Messenger of Allâh?

### NOTES